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In re the Application of:

NIWA et al

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For: SUSPENSION CONTROL APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR VEHICLES

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the examiner consider and cite of record Japanese Kokai 10-272913, a copy of which is submitted herewith along with a copy of the published English language abstract thereof.

Japanese Kokai 10-272913 is discussed as "Related Art" at pages 1 and 2 of applicants' specification and the examiner's attention is directed to that teaching as a statement of the relevance of the document.

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